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In a 1921 Deseret News photo, Clara Andersen sits with Lehi pioneer John Devey in the state's first automobile.

## Family-made present re-creates priceless moment in Utah's life

For her 90th birthday, Clara Andersen received a special gift — a model of the first automobile in Utah. And like the state's original "horseless carriage," the model was built by family members.

According to an April 23, 1921, Deseret News article, Andersen's grandfather, Lehi pioneer John Devey, built the first automobile in the state. In a photograph accompanying the article, a youthful Andersen sits next to Devey in the contraption.



Clara Andersen, 90, shows off gift.

After years of neglect, little but the photograph remained of the once-prized vehicle, according to Andersen's son-in-law, Richard Catmull. So the family got together a year ago and decided to re-create Devey's work in scale-model form.

First, they blew up the old photograph and studied the details of the automobile, which appeared to live up to the name "horseless carriage" with its large spoke wheels and high seat. Driven for about 10 years, it could go as fast as 20 mph.

Then Andersen's brother, John Hutching, 80, went to work, using the skills he learned from clockmaking. Other family members helped with the wheels and finishing touches.

The gift was presented to Andersen at a March 26 birthday party. There was no shortage of guests — Andersen has 15 living children, 83 grandchildren, 191 great-grandchildren and 17 great-great-grandchildren.



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# THE WEST

### **2% cut by UP&L will save ratepayers \$10 a year**

You're apt to be paying about \$10 less a year for electricity beginning Friday, Utah Power & Light and state officials announced Monday.

UP&L President Frank N. Davis said the 2 percent rate reduction, which will amount to a yearly reduction of about \$5.3 million, will be submitted to the Public Service Commission for approval but will go into effect in the meantime.

Some of the reduction resulted from changes suggested by the Committee of Consumer Services, an independent advocacy group appointed by Gov. Norm Bangerter.

"Lower utility rates not only benefit utility ratepayers, they help the state's economic development program by making Utah more attractive to companies and employees considering locating in the state," Bangerter said.

Combined with a January rate reduction of 1 percent, the total reduction to the average consumer will be about \$17. The company is expecting another 5 to 10 percent reduction following its merger with PacifiCorp, which officials hope will be completed later this year.

### **Rain or snow on the way**

Scattered rain or snow is expected in some areas of the state Tuesday night and Wednesday, but by the weekend the weather should be dry and a little warmer.

The Salt Lake area is expected to receive some snow from the storm, but it's hard to say how much, said William J. Alder, meteorologist in charge of the National Weather Service, Salt Lake International Airport.

The latest storm on Monday laid a blanket of much-needed snow in the mountains, with Snowbird and Alta recording 6 to 7 inches; Deer Valley and Park City, 4 to 6 inches; and Solitude, Brighton and the Spruces, 3 to 4.

But the storms and freezing temperatures are causing some concern among fruit growers.

Here are some low temperatures recorded Tuesday morning around the state: Santaquin, 15 degrees; Springville, 20; Bay Harbor, Utah County, 18; Perry, Box Elder County, 27; Willard, 33; Payson, 16; Milford, 9 (a record low for March 29 in that community); Clinton, Da-